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United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Oregon

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July 27, 2011

Ms. Carol Martin 1113 Candlelight Dr. Eugene, OR 97402

RE:

Case No: 11-63211-fra7

CAROL JUNE MARTIN

Dear Ms. Martin:

I am writing in response to your objection to the court's "Notice of Intent to Not Grant the Debtor(s) a Discharge." The grounds given by the court are that you received a discharge in a previous chapter 7 case filed within eight years of your present case. As I will explain, the court's grounds for denial of a discharge are correct.

The Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act (BAPCPA) made widespread changes to the Bankruptcy Code, most of which were effective for bankruptcy cases filed on or after October 17, 2005. 11 U.S.C. § 727(a)(8) contains one such change, effective for cases filed on or after October 17, 2005. That provision now states that a debtor cannot receive a discharge in a chapter 7 case if that debtor received a discharge in a previous chapter 7 case which had been filed within eight years of the filing date of the present case. Prior to BAPCPA, the minimum number of years between cases was six.

Since your present chapter 7 case was filed June, 28, 2011, after the effective date of BAPCPA, your present bankruptcy case is subject to the changes made to the Bankruptcy Code by BAPCPA, including the change to eight years found in Code § 727(a)(8). You cannot receive a discharge in your present, post-BAPCPA, case because your previous chapter 7 case was filed within eight years of your present case.

An order will be entered overruling your objection.

Sincerely,

FRANK R. ALLEY, III Chief Bankruptcy Judge

cc: Ron Sticka, Trustee